

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation comprising:

automatically determining at least an available user information entry device in communication with the workstation;

determining user authorisation methods each requiring data only from available user information entry devices from a plurality of user authorisation methods;

providing user authorisation information in accordance with one of the determined user authorisation methods; and,

registering the user authorisation information provided against stored data to perform at least one of identifying and authorising the user.

2. (Original) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 1 wherein the at least an available user information entry device includes a plurality of available user information entry devices.

3. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 2 comprising:

selecting from the determined user authorisation methods the one method wherein the provided user authorisation information is provided in accordance with the selected one method.

4. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 3 comprising:

providing to the user a list of the determined user authorisation methods wherein selecting from the determined user authorization methods the one method comprises the user selecting from the provided list, a single user authorisation method.

5. (Previously presented) A method of authorizing a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 4 comprising:
determining security information associated with the user and with the selected user authorisation method, the security information different for different user authorization methods.
6. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 3 wherein each user authorisation method is associated with a security level and wherein registering the user authorisation information is performed to perform at least one of identifying and authorising the user within the associated level of security.
7. (Original) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 1 wherein each determined method is supported absent further installation of software components.
8. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 1 comprising retrieving a security key from a key storage location in dependence upon the registration.
9. (Original) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 8 wherein the security key is an encryption key.
10. (Original) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 8 wherein the security key is a password.
11. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 1 comprising:
at intervals prompting an individual using the workstation to provide user authorisation information; and,

registering the user authorisation information provided against stored data to perform one of providing access to secured data and denying access to the secured data in dependence upon the registration results.

12. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 1 comprising:

upon access to secured data prompting an individual using the workstation to provide user authorisation information; and,

registering the user authorisation information provided against stored data in accordance with a user authorisation method to perform one of providing access to the secured data and denying access to the secured data in dependence upon the registration results.

13. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation comprising:

providing a plurality of supported user authorisation methods and associated security levels for each user authorisation method;

providing user authorisation information to the workstation;

determining from the plurality of supported user authorisation methods an authorization method requiring data only from the provided user authorisation information; and,

registering the user authorisation information provided against stored data to perform at least one of identifying and authorising the user with the associated level of security.

14. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 13 comprising:

selecting from the provided user authorisation methods a method wherein the provided user authorisation information is provided in accordance with the selected method.

15. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 14 comprising:

at intervals prompting an individual using the workstation to provide user authorisation information according to the selected method; and,

registering the user authorization information provided against the stored data to perform one of providing access to secured data and denying access to the secured data in dependence upon the registration results.

16. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 13 comprising:

determining security information associated with the user and the security level, the security information different for different user authorisation methods.

17. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 16 wherein determining security information comprises retrieving a security key from a key storage location in dependence upon the registration.

18. (Original) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 17 wherein the security key is an encryption key.

19. (Original) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 17 wherein the security key is a password.

20. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 13 comprising:

upon initiating access to secured data prompting an individual using the workstation to provide user authorisation information; and,

registering the user authorisation information provided against stored data in accordance with a user authorisation method to perform one of providing access to the secured data and denying access to the secured data in dependence upon the registration results.

21. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation comprising:

providing a plurality of user authorisation methods, some user authorisation methods requiring user authorisation information from more than one data input device;

registering the provided user authorisation information against data stored in a database of user authorisation data;

when the data matches the stored data within predetermined limits, determining a security level for the individual in dependence upon the provided user authorisation information and the plurality of user authorisation methods; and,

authorising user access within limits based upon determined security level.

22. (Original) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 21 wherein user access is limited by limiting access to security keys based on the determined security level.

23. (Original) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 22 wherein the security keys include encryption keys.

24. (Original) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 23 wherein the security keys are stored within a portable storage medium.

25. (Original) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 24 wherein access to some security keys is provided when a user is authorized according to a method of user authorisation but is denied when a user is authorized according to another method of user authorisation.

26. (Original) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 22 wherein the security keys include passwords.

27. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a

workstation as defined in claim 21 comprising:

selecting a user authorisation method from the plurality of user authorisation methods during execution; and,
providing user authorisation information in accordance with the selected user authorisation method.

28. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 21 comprising:

automatically determining a presence or absence of user information entry devices in communication with the workstation, the user information entry devices including a keyboard, a card reader, and a biometric input device; and,

determining user authorisation methods from the plurality of user authorisation methods that require data only from user information entry devices which are present.

29. (Previously presented) A method of authorising a user in communication with a workstation as defined in claim 28 comprising:

selecting a user authorisation method from the plurality of determined user authorisation methods; and,

providing user authorisation information in accordance with the selected user authorisation method.

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